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# REPORT

## ON

# NATIVE PAPERS

FOR THE

Week ending the 20th October 1877.

## LIST OF NEWSPAPERS.

No.	Names of Newspapers.	Place of publication.	Number of copies issued.	Dates of papers received and examined for the week.
<b>BENGALI.</b>				
<i>Monthly.</i>				
1	" Bhárat Shramjibí " ... ..	Barahangar ... ..	4,000	Bhádra 1284 B.S.
<i>Weekly.</i>				
2	" Education Gazette " ... ..	Hooghly ... ..	1,168	12th October 1877.
3	" Rungpore Dik Prakásh " ... ..	Kákinia, Rungpore. ... ..	250	12th Ditto.
4	" Sulabha Samáchar " ... ..	Calcutta ... ..	5,500	13th Ditto.
<b>ENGLISH AND BENGALI.</b>				
<i>Weekly.</i>				
5	" Amrita Bazár Patriká " ... ..	Ditto ... ..	2,217	11th Ditto.
<b>ENGLISH AND URDU.</b>				
6	" Urdu Guide " ... ..	Ditto ... ..	400	13th Ditto.
<b>PERSIAN.</b>				
7	" Jám-Jahán-numá " ... ..	Ditto ... ..	250	12th and 19th October 1877.



## PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION.

RUNGPORE DIK  
PRAKASH,  
October 11th, 1877.

Now that a failure of crops, owing to drought, has become a phenomenon of frequent recurrence in India, the *Rungpore Dik Prakásh*, of the 11th October,

Excavation of canals necessary.

urges on Government the importance of excavating a number of canals, which might, in years of drought or insufficient rainfall, be used for irrigation purposes. Nor is the request inopportune; the subject has already occupied the attention of the rulers, who seem to be fully alive to the importance of such works of public utility as railways and roads. Canals, however, will be of more material service in the hour of need than either of these.

AMRITA BAZAR  
PATRIKA,  
October 11th, 1877.

2. As in its previous issues, the *Amrita Bazar Patriká*, of the 11th October, dwells on the high-handed proceedings of Baboo Romesh Chunder Mookerjee, the sub-divisional officer of Ránághát. From the way in which, in spite of repeated warnings, he still persists in an attitude of defiance towards law and authority, it seems as though he had no fear of a public exposure.

The sub-divisional officer of Rana-ghat.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

SULABHA SAMACHAR,  
October 13th, 1877.

3. The *Sulabha Samáchar*, of the 13th October, strongly condemns the excise laws of Government. While India presents a sad scene of desolation, owing to the introduction of spirituous liquors among the people, by its trade in opium Government has destroyed the life and activity of China. While the Aryan race is giddy with drinking, and China is steeped in dull torpor with the use of opium, the British Government is collecting its excise duties with much glee. It is really strange that the Government should feel itself capable of gratifying its selfish greed by bringing ruin upon two such extensive empires. You might indulge in elaborate professions, but the fact cannot be concealed that Government is carrying on an immoral traffic in spirituous liquors and drugs.

Government taken to task for tolerating the use of spirituous liquors and drugs.

URDU GUIDE,  
October 13th, 1877.

4. The Editor of the *Urdu Guide* says that it affords him no little pleasure in seeing his unremitting labors for the past two years at last bear much good fruit not only in this land, but even so far as Afghanistan and China, inasmuch as these exertions have led to the formation of committees in every possible locality for the collection of subscriptions towards aiding the sick and wounded of the Turks in the present war. The smallest villages in Bengal have come forward with help; Burmah and the Malayan Peninsula have shown signs of activity. Rich and poor alike have come forward; amongst the former may be classed the Nawáb of Rámpore and the Begum of Bhopál and her husband, who have subscribed large sums in defence of their religion—acts which have elicited the praises of all the inhabitants of Hindustan. The Editor concludes the article by thanking all his contemporaries who have supported him in the present cause by their writings, thereby inducing people to form local committees in every zillah, town, village, and hamlet, and turning the minds of the *Mussulmans* to the matter now engrossing attention everywhere.

Subscriptions in aid of Turkey.

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